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SUBJECT: MINDEF SECSTATE BENNOUR'S VISIT TO PARIS

1. FRENCH AMEMBASSADOR GEORGE GAOUCHER INFORMS ME THAT DURING HIS RECENT VISIT TO PARIS BENNOUR REQUESTED FRENCH TO PROVIDE TUNISIANS WITH ADDITIONAL AMX TANKS. GAUCHER SAYS BENNOUR WAS TOLD THAT IF TUNISIANS WOULD BUY ONE "COMPANY" OF AMX TANKS, FRENCH WOULD PROVIDE FUNDS FOR PURCHASE OF SECOND COMPANY.

2. BENNOUR'S VISIT ALSO PAVED WAY FOR VISIT NEXT WEEK TO TUNISIA OF CHIEF OF STAFF FRENCH MILITARY FORCES.

3. GAUCHER CONFIRMED THAT FRENCH MIL TARY ASSISTANCE TO TUNISIA THIS YEAR AMOUNTS TO TOTAL OF \$2.4 MILLION, HALF IN GRANT AID AND HALF IN CREDITS.

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